GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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PRIVATE TELEPHONE COMPANIES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the new companies functioning in the field of basic telephone facilities; and

(b) the number of connections provided by them upto March 31, 2001, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) The details of the new companies functioning in the field of basic telephone facilities are given in Annexure-I.

(b) The number of connections provided by them upto March 31, 2001, are given State-wise in Annexure-II.

ANNEXURE-I

DETAILS OF THE PRIVATE BASIC TELEPHONE SERVICE OPERATORS

Name of the Licencee Company	Service Area	Companies in Operation
M/s Bharti Telenet Limited	Madhya Pradesh, Haryana, Karnataka, Delhi and Tamil Nadu (Total-5)	Service started in all the five circles
M/s Tata Teleservices Limited	Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Gujarat, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu (Total-5)	Service started in Andhra Pradesh
M/s Hughes Tele.com (I) Ltd.	Maharashtra (Total-1)	Service started in Maharashtra
M/s Shyam Telelink Limited	Rajasthan (Total-1)	Service started in Rajasthan
M/s Reliance Telecom Limited	Gujarat (Total-1)	Service started in Gujarat
M/s Reliance Communications Limited	Haryana, Punjab, Delhi, West Bengal (including Sikkim & Kolkata), UP(East), UP(West) (including Uttaranchal), Karnataka, Maharashtra (including Mumbai & Goa), Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Orissa, Bihar (including Jharkhand), Madhya Pradesh (including Chhattisgarh), Rajasthan, Himachal Pradesh, Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Tamil Nadu. (Total-17)	Nil

M/s HFCL InfotelLimited	Punjab (Total-1)	Service started in Punjab

ANNEXURE-II

STATE WISE DETAILS OF NUMBER OF CONNECTIONS PROVIDED BY BASIC SERVICE OPERATORS UPTO MARCH 31, 2001.

OPERATORS	CIRCLES	TOTAL DELs ON 31.03.2001
Bharti Telenet Limited	Madhya Pradesh	1,15,212
Tata Teleservices Limited	Andhra Pradesh	58,560
Hughes Tele.com India Ltd.	Maharashtra	69,699
Shyam Telelink Limited	Rajasthan	9,119
Reliance Telecom Limited	Gujarat	160
HFCL Infotel Limited	Punjab	13,326
TOTAL	2,66,076	